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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Regional prices are 2 cents higher on Jumbos, 8 to 12 cents higher on Extra Large, up 10 to 13 cents on Large, 3 to 8 cents higher for Mediums and 5 cents higher on Smalls. New York prices are steady on all sizes. Offerings and supplies are light to moderate for holiday needs. Demand into the retail and distributive channels is moderate to good. Market activity is moderate to active. Breaking stock supplies are light to moderate; breaking schedules are normal to reduced. Light type hen offerings are light to moderate for the seasonally light to fair demand.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MIDWEST REGIONAL Midwest delivered asking prices are 12 cents higher for Extra Large and Large, and 8 cents higher for Medium. Daily producer prices are steady. The undertone is steady to fully steady. Retail and food service demand is fairly good. Offerings are light. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady. The undertone is steady. Offerings are light on light demand. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA-LARGE	149-158	152-155
LARGE	148-157	150-153
MEDIUM	105-114	107-110

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	156-164	157-159
LARGE	154-162	155-157
MEDIUM	111-119	112-114

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	130-140	134
MEDIUM	87-91	89
SMALL	64-70	

MIDWEST AREA: IA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, OH, NE, ND, SD, WI, WV, western NY, & western PA

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices are 12 cents higher for Extra Large and Large, 10 cents higher for Medium. The undertone is fully steady. Retail demand is fairly good to good, while food service is reported as moderate to good. Offerings are light to moderate. Supplies are mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate to instances active. Breaking stock prices are steady with a steady undertone. Offerings are light on light demand. Supplies are light to moderate. Processing schedules are full-time to reduced. Market activity is slow.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	160.5-169	162-165
LARGE	160.5-169	162-165
MEDIUM	112.5-121	114-117

SOUTH CENTRAL AREA: AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, & TX

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are 12 cents higher for Extra Large, up 11.5 to 13 cents for Large, 3 cent higher for Mediums. The undertone is steady to fully steady. Retail demand is good, while food service demand is moderate to fairly good. Offerings are light to moderate for immediate holiday needs. Market activity is moderate to active. In the Eastern region, breaking stock floor stocks are light for normal to part-time breaking schedules. Light type fowl offerings are light to moderate; demand is seasonally light to fair.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	154.5-170	162-165
LARGE	150-170	160-163
MEDIUM	103.5-121	111-115

SOUTHEAST AREA: AL, GL, GA, MS, NC, SC, eastern TN, & southern VA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are 8 to 9 cents higher on Extra Large, 12 cents higher on Large and 8 cents higher on Medium. The undertone is mostly steady. Current supplies and offerings are light to moderate for trade needs. Retail and distributive demand is moderate to good. Market activity is moderate to active. Eastern region breaking stock supplies are light for normal to reduced holiday schedules. Light type hen offerings are light to moderate for the seasonal demand.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	152-166	155-159
LARGE	149-163	154-158
MEDIUM	108-121	113-115

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ, eastern NY, PA, RI, northern VA, & VT

NEW YORK Prices are steady on all sizes. The undertone is steady. Supplies are usually light to moderate for current trading purposes. Demand into all channels is moderate to good. Market activity is moderate to active.

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	163-167
LARGE	161-165
MEDIUM	120-124

WESTERN Prices are 2 cents higher for Jumbo, 12 cents higher for Extra Large, 10 cents higher for Large and 5 cents higher for Medium and Small. Trade sentiment is steady. Offerings are light to moderate. Retail and food service demand are fairly good to good. Supplies are mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate to active.

CALIFORNIA Benchmark prices are 2 cents higher for Jumbo, 12 cents higher for Extra Large, 10 cents higher for Large and 5 cents higher for Medium and Small. Trade sentiment is steady. Retail and food service demand is fairly good to good. Offerings are light to moderate. Supplies are usually moderate. Market activity is moderate to active. Small benchmark price \$1.25.

CALIFORNIA: Shell egg marketer's benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons. Cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	RANGE
JUMBO	178
EXTRA LARGE	195
LARGE	192
MEDIUM	145

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY:

Stocks on Hand Available for Marketing (30-dozen cases in thousands) ^{1/}
(Includes Conventional and Specialty)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Jumbo	This Week	9.7	6.6	14.3	8.8	8.4	3.5	51.3
	% Change	1.8%	-36.0%	-18.1%	-18.2%	-9.4%	-18.6%	-16.8%
Extra Large	This Week	30.0	21.3	21.0	11.8	34.2	4.1	122.3
	% Change	-14.7%	-11.1%	-40.3%	-37.3%	-7.2%	15.7%	-20.3%
Large	This Week	55.8	98.8	120.9	62.0	78.9	42.5	458.8
	% Change	-24.6%	-17.5%	-8.6%	-20.3%	-19.1%	-27.7%	-18.1%
Medium	This Week	14.4	16.2	40.2	24.1	30.2	7.6	132.7
	% Change	-16.1%	4.9%	-15.9%	-2.6%	18.5%	-3.0%	-4.1%
Small	This Week	2.5	3.1	6.0	3.4	1.1	3.1	19.2
	% Change	-36.5%	-26.5%	-39.8%	-24.4%	-46.9%	24.3%	-29.4%
Miscellaneous	This Week	2.1	10.6	21.2	18.2	5.2	2.7	60.0
	% Change	-38.3%	-5.8%	-18.6%	23.2%	-1.5%	19.6%	-4.8%
Ungraded	This Week	15.8	8.5	44.4	18.6	14.4	10.3	112.1
	% Change	-9.8%	-11.3%	-15.7%	4.7%	68.7%	-21.5%	-6.1%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	130.3	165.0	268.0	146.9	172.4	73.7	956.3
	% Change	-18.9%	-15.1%	-16.6%	-13.2%	-6.8%	-20.1%	-14.8%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	956.3	-14.8%
Breaking Stock	231.3	-0.8%
Total Shell Egg	1,187.6	-12.4%

SPECIALTY SHELL EGG INVENTORY ^{2/}

Stocks on Hand to be Marketed (30-dozen cases in thousands)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Large	This Week	8.1	21.5	5.6	1.5	1.9	0.8	39.4
	% Change	-29.5%	-17.2%	-3.3%	-0.7%	3.7%	22.4%	-16.6%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	3.8	23.4	3.3	1.3	4.0	35.8
	% Change	0.0%	-12.3%	-1.9%	-13.9%	835.7%	140.4%	5.8%
Total Specialty	This Week	8.1	25.4	29.0	4.8	3.3	4.8	75.2
	% Change	-29.5%	-16.5%	-2.2%	-10.2%	61.7%	106.4%	-7.3%

Percentage of Specialty Shell Egg Inventory Comprised of USDA Certified Organic:	Large:	19.2%
	Ungraded:	61.1%
	Total:	39.2%

1/ Cooperators normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and must report in both the current and previous week. This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

2/ Specialty eggs include certified organic, nutritionally enhanced, cage-free, and vegetarian-fed types.

Regional Definitions: **Northeast** = CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, AND VT; **Southeast** = AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, & WV;
Midwest = IA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, & WI; **South Central** = AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX, & UT;
Southwest = CA & NV; **Northwest** = ID, MT, OR, WA, & WY.

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES

Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending November 29, 2013 will decrease by 1 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending November 22, 2013 were 199,019 cases which was 4 percent above the prior week and 3 percent above estimates.

CARTONED LOOSE TOTAL

Cases purchased
present week 175,393 23,626 199,019

% change from the
prior week +6 -10 +4
Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK

Prices are steady. The undertone is steady. Offerings are light on light demand. Supplies are light to moderate. Schedules are full-time to shortened. Market activity is slow.

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

RANGE MOSTLY
Breaking Stock 100-102
Checks 84-93
Central States Area: AR, CO, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MI, MN, MO, NM, ND, NE, OH, OK, SD, TX, & WI

CANADIAN EGGS

Week of Nov 11, 2013

Quebec/Montreal: wholesale prices-graded in cartons (Canadian dollars) as reported by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section.

EX
GRADE A LRG LRG MED SMALL
Unavailable

Minimum prices for producers' f.o.b. farm as set by Ontario egg producers.

EX
GRADE A LRG LRG MED SMALL
1.90 1.90 1.74 1.26

DAILY WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES

(Cents/Doz.)

National Trading for November 22, 2013

Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News

CURRENT LOADS 24.00 FUTURE LOADS 7.00 TOTAL LOADS 31.00

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS	CLASS	SC		NW		SW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR BR 1	--	--	135.00	137.00	--	--	1.00	GL W J	--	--	--	--	--	136.00	1.00
GL W J	--	--	127.50	129.00	118.50	--	2.00	GL W XL	--	151.00	--	--	--	143.00	2.25
GL W XL	140.50	151.00	145.00	149.63	133.77	--	5.25	GL W LG	--	150.08	--	157.50	--	137.00	15.75
GL W LG	--	--	133.75	140.50	137.00	--	18.75	GL W MD	--	--	--	--	--	103.50	1.00
GL W MD	--	--	--	--	90.00	--	1.00								
NRBS - 50	--	--	--	--	105.00	--	3.00								

DAILY 5-DAY WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES

(Cents/Doz.)

National Trading for November 18, 2013 - November 22, 2013

Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News

CURRENT LOADS 142.25 FUTURE LOADS 74.50 TOTAL LOADS 216.75

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS	CLASS	SC		NW		SW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	129.00	138.47	124.50	128.33	--	132.00	86.00	GNR W 1	--	141.36	--	--	--	--	53.00
GNR W 2	--	--	78.00	104.00	--	--	2.00	GL W J	116.39	--	--	--	--	136.00	5.50
GNR BR 1	--	--	135.00	137.00	--	--	1.00	GL W XL	--	143.33	--	--	--	145.85	7.50
GL W J	--	--	136.00	137.50	118.37	--	5.75	GL W LG	143.35	149.15	133.83	156.67	--	139.15	64.25
GL W XL	142.25	155.20	139.00	145.21	131.23	--	22.00	GL W MD	92.57	102.75	--	--	--	101.72	16.00
GL W LG	--	149.24	131.44	135.88	134.11	129.38	91.25	GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	146.00	.25
GL W MD	--	--	89.67	92.00	91.05	--	17.00	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	195.50	202.00	1.00
GL W SM	--	--	76.67	80.50	73.00	81.50	3.75								
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	128.50	--	.25								
GL BR XL	--	--	180.50	--	186.50	--	1.25								
NRBS - 50	--	--	--	--	105.00	--	3.00								
NRBS - 48	--	--	104.00	105.50	93.00	--	6.00								
NRBS - 39	--	--	87.00	--	88.25	93.00	4.50								
NRBS - 36	--	57.00	--	--	53.00	--	1.00								

Weighted average prices are listed for various classes priced by origin and/or destination for 6 regions. The loads column reflects total loads reported and includes loads with prices to be determined later. NRBS categories represent net weight material may or may not be included.

Load movement represents total movement within 6 regions.

COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-FROZEN EGGS

Selected Centers	(In Thousands of Pounds)		
	11/18/13	11/11/13	11/19/2012
Pacific w/out Denver	38	33	116
Los Angeles	0	0	0

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS The market is steady on small, higher on the balance. Supplies are light. Retail demand is good to very good.

Prices weighted average, in small lots, USDA Grade A and Grade A, white eggs in cartons, nearby retail outlet, cents per dozen.

MOSTLY

Extra Large	173.85
Large	173.85
Medium	129.86
Small	105.00

USDA CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS**WHOLESALE****Organic Brown Shell Eggs in Cartons**

(price cents per carton delivered to first receivers)

		Price Range	Mostly
Extra Large	doz.	261 - 320	275 - 310
	1/2 doz.	180 - 198	181 - 189
Large	doz.	230 - 310	265 - 300
	1/2 doz.	171 - 189	171 - 178

Certified Organic are products grown and processed according to USDA's national organic standards and certified by USDA accredited State and private certification organizations. For more information, visit the National Organic Program at

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